

ಲಘ್ಯಂಡ ಎಂದು ಮಾರ್ಪಡಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೋ, ಅಂತಹ ಎಲ್ಲ ಜಮೀನನ್ನು ಅಕ್ಷೇಪ್ತರ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ನಾವು ಯೋಚನೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇವೆ.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Shri M. Y. GHORPADE (Minister for Finance).— Madam Speaker; I beg to lay;

Notification No. S. O. 1268 dated 5th July, 1973

Exemption of tax payable under the Mysore Sales Tax Act on the sale of UNICEF Greeting Cards and Calendars.

Under Section 39 of the Mysore sales Tax Act, 1957.

MADAM SPEAKER.— The Paper is laid.

Third Report of the Committee on public Undertakings Presentation.

Sri S. M. KRISHNAN (Malleswaram).— Madam Speaker, since Shri B. Bhasker Shetty, the Chairman of the Committee on Public Undertakings has resigned from the Chairmanship of the Committee, I beg to present the Third Report of the Committee, on Public Undertakings in respect of certain aspects of management of the State Government Companies along with the minutes and proceedings of the meetings of the Committee.

MADAM SPEAKER.— The report is presented.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

Re:Unprecedented flood havoc in Kanakapura Taluk

Shri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public Works and Electricity).— Madam Speaker, Yesterday I promised to make a Statement about the unprecedented flood havoc in Kanakapura Taluk. In pursuance of my promise, I am making the Statement.

It is reported that consequent to good rainfall, most of the tanks in Kanakapura taluk were brimful prior to 25th of this month. There was a sudden snap down pour of rain of about 7" on the night of 26th September, 1973 for a short duration of about 6½ hours from 10.30 p.m. on 26-9-73 to

about 5. a.m. on 27-9-73. The down pour is said to have been concentrated in the catchment of Antharaganga hole which is about 156 sq. miles. As a result of this sudden and unprecedented heavy rains in the catchment, Bhimasandra, Konasandra, Gadarnahally, Averimala or Gattal and Doddasadenahally tanks in Gattal hole catchment breached in succession within a period of about 6 hours before day break on 27-9-73. Chikkasadenahally tank lying in the same catchment but lying in a small subsidiary valley was however saved from breach by prompt lowering of the west-weir. The flood waters of all these tanks together with the flood waters of Rathamalahole, Kutlehole and other adjoining valleys gushed into the Maralwadi tank. This tank commonly called Mavathur tank is the terminal major tank in the series discharges to Arkavathi river and is situated about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Kanakapura. The sudden gush of collective flood waters into this tank which was already full resulted in a flash overflow of about $9\frac{1}{2}'$ over the crest level of the waste weir and about $1\frac{1}{2}'$ over the full length of the bund, resulting in its breach on the left flank at about 9 a.m. on 27-9-73 the sawadies in charge of this tank are reported to have rushed to the tank site at about 5.30 a.m. only to find an overflow of $1\frac{1}{2}'$ on the top of the bund and about $9\frac{1}{2}'$ on the wastew weir. Being helpless, they immediately contacted and reported to the Asst. Engineer. The Asst. Engineer rushed to the spot immediately and found himself also helpless. The Asst. Engineer took prompt action to inform the PWD, the police and Revenue authorities and also alerted the people of Adanakuppe, Boodikuppe, Boradana-kuppe villages and low lying areas of Kanakapura town and of such other areas likely to be affected. The tank has breached in a length of about 500' and about 50' depth in the left flank. The downstream apron of the waste weir is completely washed away for a length of about 300' along with the toe-wall and baffle walls. The rear portion of the bund near the sluice on the right side is also severely scoured.

Maralavadi is one of the oldest tanks with an authorized ayacut of about 2000 acres. It is estimated that the discharge prior to breach was about 37,000 cusecs

as against the disigned discharge of 8,000 cusece. It is reported that on Handi Dasanna was living in a hut in garden of one Sri Narasegouda with his wife, Snnamma. daughter Lxmamma, is son-in-law and four grand children. Immediately on Seeing sudden gush of flood, the two male members are reported to have attempted to save themselves and other members of the family climbing coconut trees. They were able to say themselves and the four small children leaving the too female members to their fate. The two female members were washed away in the floods. The body of Smt. Sannamma is reported to have been recovered while that of Smt. Laxmamma is not traced so for.

The damages to life and property, lands, crops and houses, etc., are being assessed by the revenue authorities. The damage to the tank is estimated to be of the order of about Rs. 5.00 lakhs.

Konasandra Tank :

This tank is the first in the serias of Guttalhole. It is a small one having an ayacut of 27 acres. Probably this is the first tank to have reached during the downpour. The flood is reported to have over flown the bund resulting in the breach. No loss of life is reported here. But there has been damages to crops and lands. The damages to the bund is estimated to be about Rs. 10,000. The damages to the land and crops, etc., are seperetely beeing assessed by the revenue athorities.

Bhimasandra Tank:

This is another small tank situated at the commencement of a subsidiary valley joining gattala hole having ayacut of 12 acres. This is also reported to have breached during the down pour. The cast of feeling up the breach is the order of Rs. 6,000. The losses to land and crops are being estimated by the revenue athorities. There is no loss of life here.

Gadaranahalli Tank:

This is the next in the series of the bheemasandra tank. Breach of this tank is presumed to have been accelerated by the breach of the Bhimasandra tank situated higher up. The cost of repairs to the breach is said to be about Rs. 7,000. The loss of crop and land are being assessed by the revenue authorities, and no loss of life is reported here.

AVERIMALA TANK OTHERWISE KNOWN AS GATTAHOLE TANK.

This is a fairly big tank having an ayacut of 60 acres. It is situated below the confluence of the two valleys viz., Konarsandra tank valley on the one side and Gadarnahalla tank valley on the other. The breach of this tank is obviously caused by the sudden breach of the three tanks above. The breach is for over a length of 300'. About 20 acres of land are reported to have rendered unfit. It is said that a workman's shed has collapsed and some agricultural implements have been washed away. 5 employees of Rural Education Society are reported to have been sleeping in what is called as 'Gandhi Farm' a little away from Ram-pura village, belonging to the society. Out of the 5 people, 3 are reported to have received injuries and are admitted to the local hospital at Kanakapura. They are reported to be progressing. The causes of injuries and other details are yet to be received. The remaining two Viz. Hutchiaya and Venkatesh are said to be missing. It is feared that they are washed away. In Adamkuppe, a nearby village, one Kari Ankaiya is also stated to be missing. His fate also appears to be the same as that of the other two. The cost of repairs to the tank bund is estimated at Rs 50,000. The damage to the crop and land are being assessed by the Revenue authorities.

DODDASADENAHALLY TANK

The sixth tank that has breached is that at Doddasadenahally. This is situated at another subsidiary valley of

Gattala hole. The breach is said to have been over a length of 100'. The bund has been badly damaged and the cost of the damages is assessed at Rs. 15,000. The damages to lands, crop and huts, etc., are being assessed by the Revenue Department.

CHIKKASADANAHALLY TANK

There is yet another tank affected. It is Chikkasadana-hally tank situated in another subsidiary valley which join Gattala hole feeding Maralawadi tank. This has an ayacut of 13 acres. It would have also breached but for the timely action taken to lower the waste-weir. The flood waters of this tank has also added to the swollen inflow to the Maralawadi tank. The cost of repairing the tank is of the order of Rs. 5,000. The damage to crop, land and huts, etc., is being assessed by the Revenue authorities

The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District (Rural) is reported to have received information of the breach of the Maralawadi tank at 10.15 a.m. on 27-9-73. Immediately on receipt of the information, he rushed to the spot along with the Supdt. of Police. They inspected a number of affected villages like Adanakuppe, Harohally, Budikoppa, etc. By that time, the Asst. Commissioner, Ramanagaram sub-division and other PWD. and Revenue Officers were already there on the spot inspecting the affected areas. At Budikuppe, it is said that nearly 100 houses were under water for about an hour (from 9 a. m. to 10 a. m.) in Tigalara and Vekkaligara beedis. By the time the water rushed in, the villages are said to have vacated the houses.

On receiving information of this flood havoc and the breach of the Maralawadi tank, the Minister for PWD and Electricity also rushed to the spot with the C. E., M. I. & PHE (S). This was at about 5.30 p. m. The PWD, Revenue and Police Officers had already made a rough survey.

Sriyuts S. Kariyappa and Puttadas, MLAs were also

there along with them and other officers, I inspected the breached Maralawadi tank and some of the affected areas. The tank was completely depleted and there was flow in the gorge of the breach. Necessary instructions were issued to the Chief Engineer and the Revenue authorities to make a comprehensive assessment of the damages to life and property caused by the floods. They were also directed to provide all such relief as may be possible to the victims. The Revenue and the PWD are now busy with assessing the damages to life and property and giving of relief to the sufferers. A sum of Rs. 50,000 is made available to the Revenue authorities for giving on the spot relief to the victims. More money will be made available as and when required.

The approximate cost of the damage caused to all the 7 tanks is of the order of Rs. 6.00 lakhs.

The Chief Engineer, MI & PHE (South) has been instructed to take such immediate measures as may be necessary to conserve as much water as is possible to save the standing crops.

Government will spare no pains to make a comprehensive assessment of loss of life and property and give such relief as is possible.

The information now furnished is what has been made available at short notice.

ಶ್ರೀ ವಾಟಾಳ್ ನಾಗರಾಜ್.— ಕೆಂಗಡು ಒಡೆದು ಬಹಳ ತೊಂದರೆಯಾಗಿದೆ. ಆ ತೊಂದರೆಗೆ ಸಿಕ್ಕಿರತಕ್ಕಂಥ ಜನರಿಗೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಯಾವ ರೀತಿ ಪರಿಹಾರ ಕೊಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಏನಾದರೂ ಪರಿಹಾರ ಕಂಡುಹಿಡಿದು ಸೂಕ್ತವಾದ ಪರಿಹಾರ ಕೊಡುವದಕ್ಕೆ ಪ್ರಯತ್ನ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚೆನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.— ನಾನು ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರ ಕೊಡುವದಕ್ಕೆ ಯೋಚನೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತದೆಂದು, ಸ್ಥಳದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಹಾಯಕೊಡುತ್ತೀವೆಂದು ನನ್ನ ಸ್ನೇಹಮೆಂಟಿನಲ್ಲಿ ತಿಳಿಸಿದ್ದೇನೆ.

(ii) Re : Missing of Smt. Sumitra Desai.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ಎಲ್. ಕಟಾಡಿ.— ನಾನು ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಸುಮಿತ್ರಾ ದೇಸಾಯಿಯವರ ಪ್ರಕರಣದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಒಂದು ಕಾಲಿಂಗ್ ಅಟೆನ್ಷನ್ ನೋಟೀಸ್‌ನ್ನು ಕಳುಹಿಸಿದ್ದೆ,